NEWS RELEASE

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ROUTE 14 CLOSURES SCHEDULED

PALMDALE – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the Antelope Valley Freeway (Route 14) in the following areas **nightly** from Wednesday, October 19 to Friday, October 21:

Southbound Route 14
(Midnight to 4 a.m. Closures will not be concurrent)

- Avenue P to Palmdale Boulevard. Detour will be 10th Avenue west to southbound Route 14.
- Palmdale Boulevard to Avenue S. Detour will be 10th Avenue west to southbound Route 14.
- Avenue S to Angeles Forest Highway. Detour will be Sierra Highway to southbound Route 14.

Northbound Route 14
(1 a.m. to 5 a.m. Closures will not be concurrent)

- Pearblossom Highway to Avenue S. Detour will be Sierra Highway to northbound Route 14.
- Avenue S to Palmdale Boulevard. Detour will be 5th Avenue East to northbound Route 14.
- Palmdale Boulevard to Avenue P. Detour will be 5th Avenue East to northbound Route 14.

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- 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., will be reduced to one lane under the freeway. Two way traffic will be enabled with the use of flaggers.

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PALMDALE BOULEVARD

- 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. under the freeway in both directions weekdays.

Additionally, the following closures will be in effect **nightly** on Saturday, October 22 and Sunday, October 23:

Northbound Route 14
(1 a.m. to 5 a.m. Closures will not be concurrent)

- Pearblossom Highway to Avenue S. Detour will be Sierra Highway to northbound Route 14.
- Avenue S to Palmdale Boulevard. Detour will be 5th Avenue East to northbound Route 14.
- Palmdale Boulevard to Avenue P. Detour will be 5th Avenue East to northbound Route 14.

Detour signs will be posted for all closures.

The closures are in relation to a 6.2- mile, $41 million High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane construction project from Mountain Springs Road to Avenue P-8. The project is expected to complete in spring 2007.

Caltrans reminds motorists to slow for the cone zone.

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